

and waterworks, pipes, wires, poles and railroad tracks as shall secure the least possible public or private inconvenience, and they shall provide for the enforcement of such restriction and conditions; to contract for periods not exceeding five years with the County Commissioners of Montgomery or Prince George's Counties, any municipal corporation, village or town improvements association, any person, association or persons or corporations for supplying the said town or the inhabitants thereof or for said town or its said Council supplying such County Commissioners, municipality, association, person, persons or corporation, with water, gas or electricity, or for any other general municipal purpose or purposes, and as to sewers or sewerage not exceeding ten years; such contracts to be let only after thirty days' notice, calling for bids for such purpose or purposes, has been given at least three times during that period in some newspaper of general circulation in the town, and the Council may, in their discretion, reject any or all bids, and such contract or contracts shall be awarded by ordinance; to license, for the purpose of regulation and revenue, all and every kind of business transacted or carried on in the town, to fix the rate of license upon the same, and provide for the collection thereof by suit or otherwise; to license, regulate or prohibit any place of public amusement or recreation, pleasure parks, picnic grounds, club houses, theatrical exhibitions, baseball grounds, bowling alley, billiard or pool rooms, camp-meeting grounds or public assembly of any kind; to establish markets and regulate the hours and limits thereof and the mode of dealing in relation thereto; to control and protect the public grounds and property of the town; to establish, equip and maintain public parks and playgrounds; to protect public buildings, churches and private buildings, trees and fences, from defacement or injury; to protect song birds; to provide by ordinance for condemning, laying out, opening, extending and making new streets or alleys, and for altering, straightening, widening, grading, improving or closing up, in whole or in part, any existing street or alley, and for laying out public squares, parks, drains, sewers or water courses; to establish and regulate a station-house or lock-up for the temporary confinement of violators of the law and ordinances of the town; to levy a tax and impose a license upon dogs or other animals or fowls running at large; to regulate and control all offensive trades, manufacturers and traffic in offensive fertilizers or other commodities and prohibit hog-pens and slaughter houses within the town limits; to control by ordinance the mode of constructing privies and sinks, and the manner of disposing of offal and waste products, and, in general, to pass such ordinances as they may deem proper, necessary and beneficial to the town.

(B) For the purpose of carrying out the powers conferred by this Charter, and for preservation of the cleanliness, health, peace and good order of the community, and for the protection of the lives and property of the citizens, and to suppress, abate, or discontinue, or cause to be suppressed, abated or discontinued, all nuisances within the corporate limits of said town, they may pass all ordinances or by-laws from time to time necessary; and to insure the observance of such ordinances, in addition